

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 216390

63

ORIGIN IO-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EUR-12 NEA-10 CU-02 SS-15 NSC-05 SP-02

PA-01 PRS-01 USIA-06 CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 /072 R

DRAFTED BY IO/UNESCO;RCHEATER;JU

APPROVED BY IO;ROBLAKE

EUR/WE - HGMOEN

NEA/IAI - WBSMITH

----- 066139

P R 112109Z SEP 75

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY ROME PRIORITY

INFO AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMCONSUL JERUSALEM

AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 216390

NESCO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AORG, UNESCO , IS, VT

SUBJ: UNESCO--VATICAN INTEREST IN ISRAELI/UNESCO

PROBLEM

FOR AMBASSADOR LODGE

REF: ROME 12915

1. DEPT. IS AWARE OF NO RPT NO ISRAELI COMMITMENT TO HALT
OR CURTAIL THE JERUSALEM EXCAVATIONS. FROM TIME TO TIME,
WE GET RUMORS THAT GOI IS READY TO MODIFY THE EXCAVATION
SCHEDEULE, BUT NOTHING HAS MATERIALIZED YET.

2. DIRECTOR-GENERAL M'BOW OF UNESCO SENT PROFESSOR RAYMOND
LEMAIRE OF LOUVAIN UNIVERSITY TO JERUSALEM TO MAKE ON-THE-
SPOT INVESTIGATION, BUT LEMAIRE'S REPORT HAS NEVER BEEN
RELEASED. THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL HAS MADE CERTAIN REPORTS TO
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 216390

THE UNESCO EXECUTIVE BOARD ON THE EXCAVATIONS, BUT THEY

REFERRED ONLY TO MANNER IN WHICH THEY WERE BEING CARRIED OUT, AND DID NOT GIVE ANY INDICATION OF GOI INTENTIONS RE FUTURE EXCAVATION ACTIVITIES. THESE REPORTS OF THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL CONTAINED BOTH GOOD AND BAD REMARKS ON GOIS

EXCAVATION ACTIVITIES.

3. RECENTLY, MESSRS. CONDON AND BOLLA OF THE UNESCO STAFF WENT TO JERUSALEM TO MAKE ANOTHER INVESTIGATION, BUT A SENIOR UNESCO OFFICIAL HAS INFORMED DEPT. THAT THEY RECEIVED COMPLETE REBUFF FROM GOI AND WERE UNABLE TO ACCOMPLISH ANY PART OF THEIR MISSION.

4. TEL AVIV AND JERUSALEM REQUESTED TO PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL INFO. THEY MAY HAVE. KISSINGER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptoning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 11 SEP 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: CunninFX
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975STATE216390
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: UNESCO;RCHEATER;JU
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750315-0620
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750961/aaaacbqy.tel
Line Count: 76
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN IO
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 75 ROME 12915
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: CunninFX
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 21 MAY 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <21 MAY 2003 by BoyleJA>; APPROVED <17 OCT 2003 by CunninFX>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: UNESCO--VATICAN INTEREST IN ISRAELI/UNESCO PROBLEM
TAGS: AORG, IS, VT, UNESCO
To: ROME
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006